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SUBJECT: V-E DAY CELEBRATIONS

REF: BERLIN 5590 AND BONN 6546

1. THE FRENCH EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NEW INSTRUCTIONS FROM
PARIS CONCERNING ATTENDANCE AT V-E DAY CELEBRATIONS
IN EAST BERLIN.

2. THESE INSTRUCTIONS PERMIT THE AMBASSADOR OR HIS
REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND THE CEREMONY AT THE OPERA HOUSE
ON MAY 7 AND THE WREATH LAYING AT TREPTOW ON MAY 1.
NEITHER THE FRENCH NOR THE BRITISH INTEND TO BE PRESENT
AT A THIRD GDR-SPONSORED OCCASION, NAMELY THE WREATH
LAYING AT TREPTOW ON MAY 7 BY THE GDR YOUTH MOVEMENT.

3. FRENCH INTRUCTIONS REQUEST THE EMBASSY TO
COORDINATE ITS PARTICIPATION IN CONSULTATION WITH THE
BRITISH AND OURSELVES, AND CAUTION AGAINST ATTENDING
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ANY CEREMONY THAT WOULD BE LIKELY TO INVOLVE A GDR

MILITARY PRESENCE BEYOND THAT OF A GUARD OF HONOR.

4. THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR, IN THE CONTEXT OF HIS
INSTRUCTIONS, PLAN TO ATTEND THE TWO GDR-SPONSORED
EVENTS MENTIONED ABOVE AS WELL AS THE RECEPTION LIKELY
TO BE OFFERED BY THE SOVIET EMBASSY ON MAY 7 OR 8.
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